

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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LPG AGENCIES IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) the locations in Muzaffarpur, Vaishali and Sitamarhi districts of Bihar where the LPG agencies are proposed to be set up and the time by which these agencies are likely to be set up;
- (b): the details of schemes and targets for opening LPG agencies, petrol pumps and kerosene outlets in all the block headquarters of the above mentioned districts;
- (c): the position of demand and supply of petrol, diesel and kerosene in these districts; and
- (d): the reasons for scarcity of these products and the action taken to solve this problem?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a): Oil Companies propose to set up 7 LPG distributorships each in Muzaffarpur and Vaishali districts and 5 LPG distributorships in Sitamarhi district of Bihar.

(b): LPG distributorships, petrol pumps and SKO/LDO dealerships are opened at different locations meeting Oil Industry's viability norms including at Block Headquarters. Accordingly, Oil Companies have proposal to set up dealerships/distributorships in the above districts as under:

Product	Muzaffarpur	Sitamarhi	Vaishali
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SKO-LDO	1	5	2
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LPG	7	5	7
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(c)&(d): Generally demand of petrol/diesel and Kerosene is being met in full in the above districts. During a fortnight in January, 2000 due to certain technical problems, HPC experienced shortage of petrol. However, there was no shortage of diesel and Kerosene. The situation had subsequently normalized.